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Dear Friend:

We invite you to join us in defending the intelligence community - and thereby help our country survive.

Our politicians and propagandists of the liberal-left have, in their folly, gutted and straitjacketed the FBI, CIA, NSA and DIA. They are now moving on to destroy the remaining effectiveness of these agencies.

For example, on the same day when the people of Canada were shocked to be told by their government that the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa had been caught red-handed in a massive espionage plot aimed at penetrating and paralyzing their internal security agencies, our own Senate was being presented by its Select Intelligence Committee with legislation which, if enacted, will make it all but impossible for the American security agencies to nip such plots in the bud.

The New York Times ran these sharply contrasting stories on the front page side by side with the headlines:

"CANADA TO EXPEL 11 SOVIET AIDES IN SPYING CASE"

"SENATE PANEL OFFERS LEGISLATION TO CURB INTELLIGENCE AGENTS" - our agents!

Alongside the revelations from Ottawa, so stunning in their impact on the Canadian Parliament, the Senate proposal becomes so naive as to be dumbfounding.

We've analyzed the Senate Intelligence Committee's bill and other connected projects and schemes presently before Congress. The faults and danger inherent in the proposed legislation are grave and they number three:

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- They would hobble and deform the investigative resources of the security agencies, in the guise of centralizing and further coordinating their operations.

- They would impose limitations on electronic surveillance so exacting and cumbersome as to put this indispensable source of intelligence all but out of reach of the agencies charged with protecting the nation against foreign agents and terrorists.

- They would draw so many outsiders into the contrived approval and oversight process that the secrecy of any significant CIA or FBI investigation - and secrecy must be preserved, if the action is to succeed - would be at the mercy of Washington's vast whispering gallery.

If these anti-intelligence bills are enacted, the United States could no longer gather the facts to act on espionage cases as it and other countries did in the short span of three weeks beginning at the end of January as follows:

- An official of the Soviet trade mission to the U.S. whose name the State Department refused to divulge was expelled for "flagrantly improper activities." A first secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Washington was thrown out with him.

- An official of the U.S. Information Agency and a Vietnamese spy were both indicted for espionage. The Vietnamese Ambassador to the United Nations was denounced as an unindicted co-conspirator and ordered out of the country.

- The French State Security Court imposed stiff prison sentences on five Soviet spies who were passing French and NATO defense secrets to Moscow.

- The German Minister of Defense of the West German Republic resigned abruptly under the disgrace of the disclosure that a Soviet bloc spy ring was operating within his ministry.

- The Canadian KGB spy expulsions occurred during the same three weeks as the above cases.

Wherever one looks - in Ottawa, in Washington, in New York, in Paris, in Addis Ababa, in Angola, and indeed throughout the noncommunist world - the pace of the Soviet drive to sunder and overcome the West by means short of war has quickened.

Thirty years ago, the Kremlin embarked on a campaign to defame and discredit the U.S. departments and

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intelligence agencies responsible for national security. Their main targets were and remain the FBI and the CIA.

In the early 1960's our intelligence community obtained full details of this plan, by then in high gear.

Congressman C. Melvin Price, now Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, put a summary of the Soviet plan into the Congressional Record on September 28, 1965, (page 25391). It showed that a central purpose of the disinformation department of the KGB was to:

> "Destroy the confidence of the Congress and the American public in U.S. personnel and agencies engaged in anti-Communist and cold war activity."

In 1951 the U.S. Communist Party set up a front called the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (so cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities).

The ECLC devised "OPERATION ABOLITION" to campaign for the elimination of such intelligence activities as: (1) the House Committee on Internal Security; (2) the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee; (3) the internal security committees in state legislatures; (4) state and city police files on subversives; (5) the Subversive Activities Control Board; (6) the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice; (7) the counterintelligence functions of the CIA; and (8) the internal security functions of the FBI.

All of these bodies and functions have been abolished except for the FBI and CIA.

But, the FBI and the CIA have themselves been so badly shattered that their internal security or counterintelligence capabilities are perilously below the levels which their responsibilities call for. If they are to recover their lost means, they need help NOW.

The Security and Intelligence Fund is determined to muster the needed help. Our purpose is to stop the anti-intelligence wrecking crews and to revitalize the decaying intelligence and counterintelligence capabilities of the FBI, CIA, Defense Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency.

Most of the founding members of this Fund have had professional experience in counterintelligence, military intelligence and foreign affairs at the policy level.

But, we are starting late and we need your help.

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The more Americans who join with us, the better the chance that President Carter and Members of Congress will act to stop the anti-intelligence bills and set about rebuilding our once great intelligence organizations.

You can be sure that we'll let the President, the Attorney General and the Congress know where you and other members stand. In the meantime, we urge you to write them yourself.

Since this is an emergency situation, we urgently invite you to join with us as a charter, sponsoring or founding member TODAY.

Please use the enclosed membership form and reply envelope to participate in the defense of our intelligence community.

Sincerely,

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P.S. Because of its importance, we will send each member a special reprint of THE SOVIET AND COMMUNIST BLOC DEFAMATION CAMPAIGN, cited above, which outlines the KGB's secret plan to discredit our intelligence agencies and other American institutions.

P.P.S. As a member, you will also receive SITUATION REPORTS -- like the one enclosed -- to keep you informed on important developments as they unfold.

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